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AN ELECTRICAL MEDICAL DEVICE

NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE DECISION OF THE EXAMINER TO THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

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In compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 41.31(a)(1), Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision dated August 8, 2006, of the Examiner rejecting claims 1, 3-16, 18-22 and 24-46 of the above-identified patent application.

A request for an extension of time to respond to the Examiner's rejection is submitted herewith along with payment of the required extension fee.

Please charge the amount of \$500.00 in payment of the Notice of Appeal fee under 37 C.F.R. § 41.20(b)(1), as well as any additional required fees, to Deposit Account No. 19-0743.

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